PATENT **PRM PTO-1083** NIT-335 Case Docket No. S. WATARI et al RE application of AUG 12 2003 2878 10/091,425 🔨 Group Art Unit: erial No.: TECHNOLOGY CENTER 2800 D. Meyer Filed: March 7, 2002 Examiner: For: APPARATUS FOR AUTOMATICALLY DETECTING SIZE TO BE DETECTED AND AUTOMATIC ANALYZER USING THE SAME **Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, D.C. 20231 Sir: Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application. Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted. A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed. No additional fee is required. The fee has been calculated as shown below: SMALL ENTITY (COL. 2) (COL. 3) (COL. 1) OR Additional Fee Highest No. Previously Paid For Rate Claims Remaining After Present Extra Amendment 20 0 9 \$ 10 Minus Total 3 42 4 7 Indep. Minus 140 First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claims OR Total If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write '0' in Col. 3.

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## REPLY

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 8, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

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